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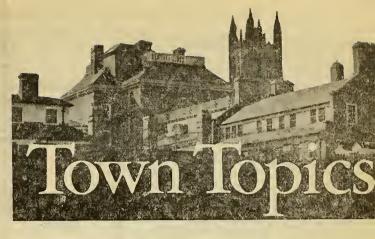
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Robert Francis Mooney, a lifelong resident of Princeton, who last Monday, at the age of 26, was awarded a one-year term as Clerk of the 135-year-old Borough of Princeton. Succeeding the late, beloved Edgar Carl Warren, Mooney—on the threshold of a highly promising public career—has been catapaulted into a position in which he will have countless opportunities to implement his belief that the best interests of a community's citizens are the be-alls and end-alls of municipal administration.

An alumnus of St. Paul's Parochial School and a member of the Class of 1939 at Princeton High School, Mooney in many respects symbolizes the potentialities of a generation that mastered the art of war before coming to know the ways of peace. Some two years ago he returned from the Navy, resumed his duties with the local Western Union office and in March, 1946, joined the Borough's administrative staff. There was nothing political about his original appointment, for Warren—after receiving authorization to search out an assistant—approached Mooney "out of a clear blue sky."

Upon completing his formal education, Mooney was trained as a Western Union teletype operator and delivery manager and then devoted three-plus years to the Navy's complex communications system. His service included 25 consecutive months on Bora Bora, key Pacific fueling-station near Tahiti, where any interest he might have developed in communications was deadened by hammering out or receiving code for seemingly interminable

stretches.

Last month, the day before Warren's death, Mooney was designated Deputy Borough Clerk in recognition of his contributions to the functioning of the Borough's nerve-center. Frequently commended for his ability to assimilate new responsibilities, he is currently investing evenings and weekends in the study of municipal finance administration. Mooney is an active member of Mercer Engine Company Number 3, is on the roster of the American Legion's Princeton Post Number 76 and, like former varsity athletes the country over, retains all of his "youthful enthusiasm" for sports, occasionally touring an 18-hole course in the respectable 80's.

For accepting what has been described as the Borough's highest non-elective office in the same spirit in which it was offered; for his determination to maintain the standards of service bequeathed to Borough affairs by his distinguished predecessor; for meriting the support of his older associates at a time when most men his age are still feeling their way forward; he is TOWN TOPICS' nominee for

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Topics of the Town

News of All Kinds. Small-town America, of which it is hoped Princeton will always be a part, no matter how unique, invariably generates news that is peculiar to communities where most happenings are common knowledge long before they break into print. While it never can dispel the slightly rarified atmosphere resulting from constant educational and research projects under way day & night, Princeton frequently is the counter-part of many a closely-knit, homespun village sprawling happily throughout this land of ours. This week, those who gathered around the crackerbarrel at the corner grocery store heard that:

The Board of Education had asked the Borough Council to have the airraid defense siren atop the high school removed, as the timbers of the platform were rotting and it had lost its affection for this "musical instrument."

The thief who had broken into the homes of Ernest DeWald. J. H. Stevens,

Raymond Harper and Dr. Wilbur H. York had been arrested in Montclair and confessed taking over \$1,000 worth of

clothing and jewelry.

Robert F. Mooney had been named horough clerk and the First National Bank had elected Raymond V. Cortelyou a director, following his temporary avpointment last Summer to succeed the late Dr. Charles Browne.

The borough school system asked for a budget increase, the bulk of it for higher salaries, which it is said would increase the tax rate by "not more than 14 points." Township residents faced a 29-point increase from their school board.

The number of fire alarms set an alltime low in 1947. six of them sounding, three of them false.

Morris Maple, 3rd, returning from a business trip to Georgia for his auto-(Continued on page four)

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mobile agency, was seriously burned when the DC-3 in which he was flying crashed near Washington.

Former mayor Minot Morgan again urged in an AVC-sponsored address at Avalon that the borough and township school districts merge; that the two municipalities engage in frequent joint planning; that the city-manager plan be adopted here. Terming the Erdman (or any other part-time) administration "absentee landlordism," Mr. Morgan called Princeton "too complex a community to be run with complete efficiency by a group of volunteers"

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"A city-manager could save his own salary in six months," he commented Tuesday night, and forthwith threw fuel on the hot stove in the political league: "I very much doubt the Republicans have another member in their party other than Dr. Erdman who is willing to hold the office of mayor. I know from personal experience that there is no Democrat or independent willing to undertake its complex responsibilities today and continue his own full-time job."

Whether or not they favored the city-manager plan—and many did not—Princetonians were talking with increasing frequency of the difficulty of finding candidates willing to run for office here. Already, there was speculation about the council vacancies, which will see the Democrats with two incumbents and the G.O.P. in need of a pair of

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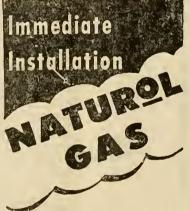
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Calendar of the Week

Saturday, January 17th

8:30 p.m.: Basketball: Princeton University vs. Syracuse; Dillon Gymnasium. Hockey: Princeton University vs. U. S. Olympic Team; Baker Rink.

Sunday, January 18th

7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 a.m.: Mass, St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church.
11:00 a.m.: Sermon, the Rev. Victor B. Stanley Jr.; Trinity Church.
"Miracles of Grace," the Rev. Frank S.

Niles; First Church.

"Sturdy Stakes in Shifting Sands," the Rev. Milton A. Galamison; Witherspoon Presbyterian Church.

Friends Meeting for Worship; Murray-Dodge Hall, University Campus.
"Life," Lesson-Sermon; First Church of

Christ, Scientist.

Sermon, the Rev. John W. Johnson; Mt. Pisgah A.M.E. Church.

University Preacher, the Rev. Albert T. Mollegen, Virginia Theological Seminary; University Chapel.

"The Second Commandment," the Rev. Milton J. Nauss; Lutheran Service; Westminster Choir College Chapel. "When I Survey The Cross," the Rev. Lynn H. Corson; Methodist Church.

Noon: House-to-House Collection of Scrap
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7:30 p.m.: Choral Evensong; address, the
Rev. Stanley; Trinity Church.
8:00 p.m.: "A Little Sanctuary," the Rev.
Dr. Nilos: First Church

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"The Pause That Reconciles:" the Rev.
Galamison; Witherspoon Church.

8:00-10:00 p.m.: Public Skating, Baker Rink. 8:15 p.m.: Evening Service; First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Monday, January 19th

8:00 p.m.: Address, the Rev. Dr. Wilbur LaRoe Jr., Moderator of General As-sembly of Presbyterian Church; Sanctuary, First Church.

Wednesday, January 21st

8:00 p.m.: "A Christ-Centered Life," the
Rev. Dr. Niles; First Church.
Mid-Week Service, Methodist Church.
Public Hearing on 1948-49 school budget; Princeton High School.

8:15 p.m.: Mid-Week Services; First Church

of Christ, Scientist.

Thursday, January 22d 8:00 p.m.: Public Hearing on 1948-49 town-ship school budget; Township School.

Friday, January 23rd

7:00 p.m.: Basketball: Princeton H. S. vs. Hamilton H. S.; varsity and junior varsity games; H. S. Gymnasium.

8:00-10:00 p.m.: Public Skating, Baker Rink.

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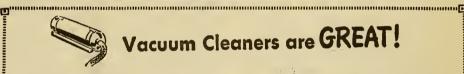
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News of the Theatres

The Playhouse

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Good News (Sun. thru Wed.), based on the highly popular musicomedy of the 1920's, has all the good tunes of that show, plus June Allyson. Because it fails to portray in nostalgic fashion the endless amusing foibles of campus days in that dear, dead era, it misses many an opportunity for delightful humor. As it stands, it's good fare for those who like musicals.

The Senator Was Indiscreet (Thurs.,

The Senator Was Indiscreet (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) pulls few punches in deflating many a characteristic of the windier type of U.S. Senator. Somewhat windy itself, the film, using a presidential campaign as its theme, nonetheless has sufficient courage and humor to make it generally amusing. William Powell heads a good cast.

The Garden

The Gangster (Fri., Sat.), billed as "the infamous story of an infamous outlaw," simply is not good enteretainment. An unimaginative story of gang warfare, treachery and death by bullet. With Barry Sullivan, Akim Tamiroff.

The Patient Vanishes. (Mon., Tues., Wed.), a British film in which James Mason heads the cast, pits him against a gang of racketeers in somewhat more wholesome fashion than the preceding picture. Cook of its kind.

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On the Old Spanish Trail (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) is Roy Rogers' latest, mixes in gypsies, bandits and a good deal more music than action. His fans will find this one slower than usual.

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The Olympic tryouts for eight-oared shells went to Philadelphia, not Princeton...the Tiger basketball team failed to impress in edging Penn, 50-48, but came up with a sparkling first-half in upsetting a favored Dartmouth quintet, 55-42, George Sella's all-around play in holding Ed Leede to eight points while serving 15 ranking as an eye-filling perholding Ed Leede to eight points while scoring 15 ranking as an eye-filling performance for a sophomore . . . the 4-3, overtime victory over Clarkson's Canadian-bred hockey team was one of the rink's best games in the past decade. Proceeds from Saturday's game with the U.S. Olympic team will go to the Olympic Hockey Fund.

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